LEMON GROVE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Item No. 2

Mtg. Date August 1, 2017

Dept. <u>City Manager's Office</u>

Item Title: City of Lemon Grove 40th Anniversary Celebration Plans

Staff Contact: Miranda Evans, Management Analyst

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Council receives the presentation and begins the celebration of the City's 40th anniversary.

Item Summary:

July 1, 2017 marked the City of Lemon Grove's 40th anniversary of "cityhood" since the July 1, 1977 incorporation date. City staff has prepared a series of low or no-cost activities to commemorate, inform and engage Lemon Grove residents about this milestone. From August 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018, staff is recommending that the following activities occur:

- August 1, 2017 Celebratory Kick-Off at the City Council meeting with special guests and lemon cake;
- One "Lemon Grove Minute" video will be shared at 40 City Council meetings;
- The City's rebranded newsletter, *The Zest*, will launch on August 1st and will subsequently be published on the first day of each month;
- A History Hunt will take place in partnership with the Lemon Grove Historical Society at historical landmarks around town;
- A Local Lemon Rush is planned for residents to find 40 hidden lemons around town and claim prizes;
- 40 #ThrowbackThursday posts will be shared on social media (Instagram, Facebook and Twitter) featuring vintage photos;
- The Lemon Grove Acts of Kindness Campaign will launch on August 1 and will encourage kindness and community engagement; and
- The 20th Annual Bonfire will feature expanded hours and entertainment (as funds allow).

The activities listed above will be explained in detail in staff's presentation.

Fiscal Impact:

No general fund dollars are allocated towards the celebration of the City's 40th anniversary. All ideas presented above are low or no-cost staff initiated activities. Sponsorship dollars may be utilized as funds are available; however, these funds are primarily earmarked for Summer Concerts and Movies in the Park and the annual bonfire. To-date, nearly \$30,000 in sponsorship funds have been raised.

| Environmental Review: | |
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| Not subject to review | □ Negative Declaration |
| Categorical Exemption, Section | |
| Public Information: | |
| □ None | ☐ Notice to property owners within 500 ft. |
| Social Media and City Website | □ Neighborhood meeting |
| Attachments: | |
| None | |